

Welcome to SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH TAMPA, FLORIDA

THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY MARCH 24, 2024 10:30AM

May those who sorrow find comfort; the weary, rest; the troubled, peace; the lonely, friends; the unhappy, joy; and may all find the sense of God's presence in this Holy Place. Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. Regrettably, for some people, Holy Week consists solely of Palm Sunday and Easter Day. The rites of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the Great Vigil of Easter are not attended. It is important, therefore, that the impact of the Passion and Death of our Lord be emphasized on this day, so that the glory of the Resurrection may indeed be celebrated the following Sunday.

The procession with palms calls to mind the triumphal entry of Jesus, our Lord and King, into Jerusalem. The procession is fundamentally an act of worship, witness and devotion to our Blessed Lord. The purpose of Jesus' journey to Jerusalem was to fulfill his Father's will: thus it is fitting that this service continues with the reading of the Passion, turning the emphasis to the days which lie ahead in Holy Week. We who hail him as king one moment may in the next deny him, even joining with the crowd in shouting "Crucify him, crucify him!"

Christ became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also has highly exalted him, and given him a Name which is above every name.

Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent—for this is the house of God. Before the service, speak to God. During the service, let God speak to you. After the service, speak to one another.

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES.

Liturgy of the Palms, Procession, and Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude: Festive Trumpet Tune

David German (b. 1954)

Tower Bell

Liturgy of the Palms

Please stand as the Choir and Ministers enter.

Celebrant	Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.
People	Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Priest then reads Mark 11:1-11, first saying

PriestThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

"Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Priest	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Blessing and Distribution of the Palms

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way.

Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The palms are distributed while the choir sings the following anthem

Introit

Thomas Weelkes (1576-1623)

Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord, O King of Israel. Hosanna in the highest.

The Procession

Celebrant	Let us go forth in peace.
People	In the name of Christ. Amen.

Hymn 154

Refrain All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King! to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring. 1 Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son, who in the Lord's Name comest, the King and Blessed One. *Refrain* 2 The company of angels are praising thee on high; and we with all creation in chorus make reply. *Refrain* 3 The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present. *Refrain* 4 To thee before thy passion they sang their hymns of praise; to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. *Refrain* 5 Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King. *Refrain*

When the procession reaches the church door, the Celebrant says the following:

Let us pray. Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The procession continues

Hymn 156

1 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
Hark! all the tribes hosanna cry; thy humble beast pursues his road with palms and scattered garments strowed.
2 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin o'er captive death and conquered sin.
3 Ride on! ride on in majesty!

The angel armies of the sky look down with sad and wondering eyes to see the approaching sacrifice.

Winchester New

4 Ride on! ride on in majesty! Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh; the Father on his sapphire throne expects his own anointed Son. 5 Ride on! ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die; bow thy meek head to mortal pain, then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

At the Eucharist

Collect of the Day

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The Lesson (sit)

Isaiah 50:4-9a

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens-wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious. I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together.Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Reader	The Word of the Lord
People	Thanks be to God.

Hymn 167 (stand)

1 There is a green hill far away, outside a city wall, where our dear Lord was crucified who died to save us all.
2 We may not know, we cannot tell, what pains he had to bear, but we believe it was for us he hung and suffered there.
3 He died that we might be forgiven, he died to make us good, that we might go at last to heaven, saved by his precious blood.

4 There was no other good enough to pay the price of sin, he only could unlock the gate of heaven and let us in.5 O dearly, dearly has he loved! And we must love him too, and trust in his redeeming blood, and try his works to do.

Horsley

All may be seated for the reading of the Passion Gospel.

NARRATOR: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him,

PILATE: "Are you the King of the Jews?"

NARRATOR: He answered him,

JESUS: "You say so."

NARRATOR: Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again,

PILATE: "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you."

NARRATOR: But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them,

- PILATE: "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?"
- NARRATOR: For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again,
- PILATE: "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?"

NARRATOR: They shouted back,

CROWD: "Crucify him!"

NARRATOR: Pilate asked them,

PILATE: "Why, what evil has he done?"

NARRATOR: But they shouted all the more,

CROWD: "Crucify him!"

NARRATOR: So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him,

CROWD: "Hail, King of the Jews!"

NARRATOR: They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

(At the mention of Golgotha, all stand as able.)

They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take. It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

CROWD: "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!"

- NARRATOR: In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying,
- CROWD: "He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe."

NARRATOR: Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice,

JESUS: "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?"

NARRATOR: which means,

JESUS: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

NARRATOR: When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

CROWD: "Listen, he is calling for Elijah."

NARRATOR: And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying,

CROWD: "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down."

NARRATOR: Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

(All kneel in silence for a space, standing again when the readers stand.)

And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said,

CENTURION: "Truly this man was God's Son!"

NARRATOR: There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

Sermon

Prayers of the People (kneel)

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the people of Ukraine, Israel, and Gaza, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Doug, our Bishop, John and Jerry, our priests, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For Joe, our President, Ron, our Governor, Jane, our Mayor, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God. *To thee, O Lord our God.*

Silence

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Peace (stand)

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

The Holy Communion

At the Offertory:

Anthem

Gilbert Martin (b. 1941)

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the death of Christ, my God! All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them through his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small. Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

Hymn 380, stanza 3 (stand)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

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Celebrant and People

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel. The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*.

The Celebrant then continues

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The priest breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

Agnus Dei

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Jesus, Lamb of God: Have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins: Have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world: Give us your peace.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Music during Communion:

Duet

Giovanni Battista Pergolesi (1710–1736)

Stabat Mater dolorosa juxta crucem lacrimosa dum pendebat Filius. The grieving mother stood weeping beside the cross where her son was hanging.

> Carolyn Tapie, *mezzo-soprano* Amanda Cohen, *soprano*

Anthem

Percy Whitlock (1903–1946)

Jesu, grant me this I pray, Ever in thy heart to stay; Let me evermore abide, Hidden in thy wounded side. If the evil one prepare, Or the world, a tempting snare, I am safe when I abide In thy heart and wounded side. If the flesh, more dangerous still, Tempt my soul to deeds of ill, Naught I fear when I abide In thy heart and wounded side. Death will come one day to me; Jesu, cast me not from thee; Dying, let me still abide, In thy heart and wounded side. Amen.

Sir H.W. Baker (1821–1877)

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen*.

Hymn 164 (stand)

1 Alone thou goest forth, O Lord, in sacrifice to die; is this thy sorrow nought to us who pass unheeding by?

2 Our sins, not thine, thou bearest, Lord; make us thy sorrow feel, till through our pity and our shame love answers love's appeal.

Dismissal

Priest	Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

3 This is earth's darkest hour, but thou dost light and life restore; then let all praise be given thee who livest evermore.

Bangor

4 Grant us with thee to suffer pain that, as we share this hour, thy cross may bring us to thy joy and resurrection power. **Organ music in Lent**: In keeping with tradition and the solemnity of the Lenten season, we will take a seasonal break from the performance of organ postludes at the 10:30am service. The service will conclude with the final hymn and the dismissal.

THOSE SERVING TODAY: Sunday, March 24, 2024

Celebrant and Preacher: Fr. Reese Assisting Priest: Fr. Stadel **Organist:** Ryan Hebert Choral Assistant: Coleman Flentge Verger: Piers Curry Thurifer: Lynn Dorman **Crucifer:** Thomas Adams Torchbearers: Diana Tapie, Ada Bingham Lector: Gary Cotter Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Patrick Keogh, Dorothy Peters Narrator: Ray Vince **Pilate:** Dennis Clarke Videographers: Paul Scheuer, Jan Smith, Doug Rubottom, Kirk McCann Ushers: Marshall Ferrell, Pam Billings, Warren Brown, Frazier Carraway Altar Guild: Ursula Keeler, Jan Smith, Cathy Szuba Coffee Hour Hosts: Jan Smith, Earl Smith, James Carmichael, Richard Ferlita, Cathy Szuba

BIRTHDAYS: Paul Bentschner, Mary Beth Harris, Richard Chapman, Anthony Morrison, Graeme Parkes, Michelle Sperando **ANNIVERSARIES**: Gregg & CJ Smith, Siegfried & Linda Barry, Jack & Anne Kutchmire

Flower Chart

The 2024 Flower Sign-Up Chart is in the parish hall. Please help adorn the altar during worship by sponsoring flowers. High Altar flowers are \$150 for florist choice, personal choices can be arranged at an additional cost. Chapel Altar flowers are optional. To sponsor both Altars, the cost is \$250. If you have questions, please contact Charlotte Churchill 813-352-0162 <u>cmchurchil8@gmail.com</u>

Holy Week & Easter Schedule

March 25 • 26 • 27 Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week Holy Eucharist 12:10pm

March 28 Maundy Thursday 12:10pm Holy Eucharist 7:00pm Holy Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar

> March 29 Good Friday 12:10pm Stations of the Cross 7:00pm Good Friday Liturgy

> > March 31

Easter Day 8:00am Holy Eucharist

10:30am Choral Eucharist *(with incense)* & Flowering of the Cross

Stations of the Cross: Fridays in Lent 12:10pm

Come and join us for this 30-minute devotional, observed on Fridays in Lent at 12:10pm running through Good Friday on March 29. Our Stations of the Cross, a gift from Nathan & Jane Simpson, are a series of pictures representing certain scenes in the Passion of Christ, each corresponding to a particular incident. Formerly the number of stations varied considerably in different places but fourteen are now generally acknowledged. The object of the Stations is to help the faithful to make in spirit, as it were, a pilgrimage to the chief scenes of Christ's sufferings and death. It is carried out by passing from Station to Station, with certain prayers at each and devout meditation on the various incidents in turn. It is very usual, when the devotion is performed publicly, to sing a stanza of the "Stabat Mater" while passing from one Station to the next.

Choir Staff Singers Perform Solo Recitals

Several of our choir staff singers, who are music students at UT, will be giving solo recitals as part of their degree studies. These events are free and open to the public, so please mark your calendars and plan to join them! Parking is available anywhere on campus in the evenings.

3/30 7:30p.m. Brianna Davies, mezzo soprano - Sykes Chapel

4/23 7:30p.m. Lucas Glenn, piano - Gordon Theater, Ferman Center for the Arts

Youth News

Youth in grades 6 & up are invited to assist in Easter preparations today during coffee hour as we pack Easter goody bags and eggs for the big hunt! Look for Alicia in the parish hall and come lend us a quick hand! We will also be taking Easter donations for items to pack in our wonderful goody bags starting on Sunday, March 3rd-- items like individually wrapped candy, pencils, erasers, small toys and trinkets are much appreciated! A marked bin will be placed at the children's chapel entrance of the parish building for all Easter goody bag donations.

All Children are invited to participate in our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday, which falls on **Sunday, March 31st after the 10:30 service in the courtyard**! Bring a basket or bag and join in the fun, making beautiful family memories on this blessed Easter Sunday! All children and youth (this means middle & high school too!) will receive an awesome goody bag following the hunt, but due to space, we will have an official egg hunt

for kids who are toddler age through 5th grade in the courtyard. We will also have golden coins inside some of the hidden eggs for additional special prizes! Please contact Alicia Schmid for questions, or to volunteer with our amazing kids & youth at aliciaschmid@rocketmail.com.

*** Attention Youth ***

Calling all youth 6th-12th grades! Come and join us for a pool party as we launch St Andrew's Youth Group **today, March 24th from 4-6:30**. Bring your suit. Dinner will be provided! Please contact Alicia Schmid, Ben Borsch, or Martha Cobb if you have any questions! $\mathfrak{S} \mathfrak{S} \mathfrak{S}$ Looking forward to seeing everyone! Address: 3210 Hoedt Road Tampa, 33618

Adult Christian Education

Sunday mornings at 9:30

The Gospel of Mark: A Beginner's Guide to the Good News

Walk through the Bible's earliest source for the life of Jesus with scholar Amy-Jill Levine as she examines John the Baptizer, the Little Apocalypse, the Transfiguration, and several of Jesus's most notable stories and parables. The Good News of the gospel message comes alive in this video series as we see Jesus as divine and human, powerful and weak, approachable yet mysterious. We will engage in an in-depth study of select passages that illuminates the Gospel in its historical context and as a source for the other gospels. Amy-Jill Levine is a retired Professor of New Testament studies at Vanderbilt University Divinity School.

Here is the line-up:

- 4/7 The Good News Begins: Mark 1-4
- 4/14 Restoring Purity and Wholeness: Mark 5-7
- 4/21 Sacrifice, Ransom, Prophet, Messiah: Mark 8-10
- 4/28 Fig Trees and Tenants: Mark 11-12
- 5/5 The Little Apocalypse: Mark 13
- 5/12 Judas Iscariot and the Naked Young Man: Mark 14-15

This class, facilitated by the Rector, meets in Room 302 (the Library) on the third floor of the Parish Building

Tom Ingui Bach Concert

Tom Ingui will be performing an all-Bach organ concert at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church on **Friday, April 5th, 2024, at 7 pm**. Tom serves as Organist at First Presbyterian Church of Lakeland, FL and is a collaborative pianist for both Southeastern University and Harrison School for the Arts. He holds a Master of Music degree in organ performance from Yale University studying with Thomas Murray and a Bachelor of Music degree from Stetson University where he studied organ with Dr. Boyd Jones and piano with Dr. Michael Rickman. Tom was a finalist in the Taylor national organ competition and placed second in the Rodgers national organ competition. His most recent concert appearances include The University of Tampa, Stetson University, and Bethesda-By-The Sea Episcopal Church in Palm Beach, FL. Tom serves as a Member-At-Large on the Board of the Tampa Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

Celebration of Life

Saint Andrew's is hosting a Celebration of Life for former parishioner, Vestry member and choir section leader, Stephen Rosser, on **Saturday, April 27th** at 2 pm. Some of you may have known Stephen before he departed for New York City ten years ago. His kindness, openness and talent touched many at St. Andrew's and around the Bay Area and he will be greatly missed. As part of our celebration we are gathering many who sang with him in our choir and other exceptional groups to raise our voices in hymns, anthems and songs Stephen loved. If you would like to join us as a singer please contact Betsy Scheuer at <u>elisabetsy40@gmail.com</u> or 813-434-5159 regarding your interest and for more details. If you would like to assist with or make a financial contribution for the reception following the celebration, please contact Irene Baker at <u>ihbaker1011@yahoo.com</u> or 571-481-8536. Whether you sing or help or attend, we look forward to seeing many of you on the 27th!

Parish Picnic



Please join us as for our annual St.Andrew's Parish Picnic. Earl and Jan Smith have once again graciously offered to host the parish picnic at their home on **Sunday, April 28th** starting at **12:30 pm**. The Smith's address is

3627 Berger Rd. in Lutz. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided by the church. Don't forget lawn chairs or picnic blankets, outdoor games, sunscreen, bug spray or anything else you would like to bring for a festive gathering outdoors filled with fellowship, food and fun!

School Volunteers needed

Want to help Tampa's littlest citizens? Come spend an hour each week working with a small group of 1st graders at Dunbar Elementary. If you have 45-60 minutes each week to work with a small group of students in one of our 1st grade classrooms, please contact me for more information. Days and times are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and/or Thursdays either between 8:45 and 10:15 or 10:45 to 12:45. The teacher will have all the materials available for you. This enrichment group will allow the teacher to get an extra small group in with some of her struggling readers. Thank you for considering this opportunity. Victoria Klug 813-774-1246 or VictoriaKlug1@gmail.com

St. Andrew's Homeless Ministry

Most of you know about our church ministry which provides lunches and hygiene supplies to the members of our homeless community. What you may <u>not</u> know is that we do not have a budget for this ministry. We distribute bagged lunches <u>Monday through Friday</u>. These lunches are provided to us from Metropolitan Ministries. However, supplemental food items, cases of water, and TRAVEL SIZE hygiene supplies (soap, washcloths, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, and razors) are purchased with money that is donated from you, our caring and generous volunteers, and parishioners!

We are nearly out of all of our hygiene supplies at this time. We are once again reaching out to you all in hopes that you will support this critical ministry. You can help in one of two ways. If you would like to purchase items to be distributed, we are in the greatest need of the following: Travel Size Soap; Thin dark washcloths, and Travel size deodorant (men's and women's). We are exploring buying supplies in bulk, so, if you'd like to get the best bang for your buck, please consider donating money towards this endeavor. If you choose this option, please make your check out to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church and write "Homeless Ministry" in the memo line.

Proverbs 11:25 reads in part "....those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed." Thank you all for prayerfully considering how you can support this ministry!

If I Can Be the Donkey...

Corrie Ten Boom was a famous Christian whose testimony of suffering in Nazi concentration camps and God's grace through it all touched millions of lives. A few years ago, in a press conference following a ceremony in which Corrie Ten Boom was given an honorary degree, one of the reporters asked her if it was difficult remaining humble while hearing so much acclaim. She replied immediately, "Young man, when Jesus Christ rode into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday on the back of a donkey, and everyone was waving palm branches and throwing garments in the road and singing praises, do you think that for one moment it ever entered the head of that donkey that any of that was for him?" She continued, "If I can be the donkey on which Jesus Christ rides in his glory, I give him all the praise and all the honor."

-Mike Hamby

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Sarah Hudson, Charles Caro, Evelyn Smith, Mignon Grant-Levy, John Tomlinson, Nell Rorebeck, Marion Gustin, Jane Collins, Paul Cullen, Barbara Jones, Gerry Calahan, Mary Nichols, Peggy Kleven, Linda M. Delmasto, Angela Massari, Evelyn O. Jewell, Brycen Coyle, Anita Ramirez, Jane Cantler, Phyllis Sheaffer, Diane Kemker, Martha Medel, Sarah Moody, Larry Kleven, Isabelle Ferrell, William Shuler, Ian Snider, Libby Dickinson, Roma Plimmer, Patricia Maxfield, Jenette Kerr, Kay Rankin, Joe Daurril, Stephen Rosser, Rose Williams

THOSE FOR WHOM PRAYERS HAVE BEEN ESPECIALLY REQUESTED:

Mark Caro, Sgt. Billy Gudzak, Charlene Maxwell, Joan Hoppe, Carlton Hart, Stephen Tedrowe, Virginia Sink, Charlie Richardson, Christine Hudson, Janet Norona, Michael Norona, Christopher Hunt, Charles Mullen, Jack Plimmer, Corinne Gaile, Jack Boyet, Jean Turner, Analee Mayes, Rick Ostman, Dawn Headland, Beth Luensman, Carole Fields, Judy Van Valkenburgh, Georgia Vahue, Sean Heavey, Janet Cook, Linda Liconti Longo, Holly Clemmons, Katie Pastorius, Deloris Lewis, Dale Saville, Jeff Johnson, Wayne Putney, Ralph & Nancy Swank, Delphine & Bob Ballard, Janis Riasanovsky, Linda Barry, Fabio Pompili, Tania Pratt, Al Stein (*We are happy to include all prayer requests. Names will remain on the list for four weeks. Please call Lauri in the church office if you desire a name to remain on after four weeks or to be removed sooner*

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The Rt. Rev. Dr. Douglas Scharf, VI Bishop of Southwest Florida The Rev. John Reese, Rector The Rev. Canon Jerold R. Stadel, Assisting Priest Ryan Hebert, Director of Music/Organist Coleman Flentge, Associate Director of Music Pamela Frost, Parish Administrator Lauri Harder, Administrative Assistant Alicia Schmid, Director of Children's and Youth Ministries Anguel Dimitrov, Sexton

Vestry

Class of 2025: Barbara Brotherton, Derrick Brown, Victoria Klug, Richard Chapman, Junior Warden, Brad Hall Class of 2026: Allison Besselieu, Holly Clemmons, Martha Cobb, Wallace Dixon, Eric Hargens, Treasurer Class of 2027: Nicole Carr, Clerk of the Vestry, Piers Curry, Senior Warden, Don Crawford, Wayne Daley, Paul Henley

In the name of Christ, we the people of Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church, in response to God's call, proclaim our belief that Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior, and thereby declare our purpose to be to glorify God through our worship and work, to serve the spiritual and temporal needs of others as Christ's disciples, and to build a lively, growing community in Christ's image.